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### THE appointment of a Com- mission to enquire into the affairs of the Municipality of Jerusalem is an unprecedent- ed step. The JERUSALEM ENQUIRY

Commission has not  
before taken  
such radical action in connec-  
tion with any other municipal  
authority and no similar case  
was known even under the  
arbitrary regime of the Man-  
date.

That he should have decided  
on the present course is an in-  
dication that the Minister of  
Interior must have been pre-  
sented with the state into  
which Jerusalem had fallen. In  
his former office as Mayor of  
Tel Aviv, Mr. Rokach was well  
acquainted with the minimum  
needs of a large city and his  
conscience with regard to Je-  
rusalem must have been not a  
little troubled by the fact that  
fellow Zionists held the bal-  
ance of power in the coalition  
that has been latterly govern-  
ing Jerusalem.

It should be chalked up to  
the credit of the opposition par-  
ties that they have been call-  
ing for over a year and a half  
for the setting up of a com-  
mission to enquire into Je-  
rusalem's affairs. It is of mel-  
ancholy interest to record also  
that the crisis in the Capital's  
municipal affairs was such that  
the Commission was in fact ap-  
pointed quite without reference  
to the Mayor or Council of the  
city who learned of it only from  
the announcements in the Press.  
It is to be hoped that this de-  
cisive action will be followed by  
the Commission getting to work  
quickly and bringing in its re-  
commendations with the mini-  
mum of delay; and that this  
in its turn will be followed by  
very speedy implementation.

It is perhaps unnecessary  
to point out that the issue is  
not that of some obscure Coun-  
cil which has in some way  
fallen short in its obligations to  
its citizens. We are dealing  
here with the capital city of  
the State of Israel in which  
city administration for well  
over two years has been in a  
paralytic state. It is sufficient  
to mention the deficit of IL-  
2,500,000 in the city's finances  
and the failure to provide el-  
ementary vital services in any-  
thing like adequate measure.  
There could be told of deficient  
and underprivileged children  
having to be withdrawn from  
institutions because the city had  
failed to make its statutory  
contribution for their main-  
tenance, while the first few  
days of each month are con-  
stantly made wretched by the  
threat of a two-day strike be-  
cause salaries are not forth-  
coming without recourse to this  
action. Public sanitation in the  
city is something which falls  
far short of minimum health  
standards and care of the sick,  
including mental patients, leaves  
much to be desired.

The correction of these abuses  
cannot wait even the report of  
the enquiry Commission. It  
would be as well if the ma-  
chinery made available in the  
terms of the agreement to form  
the national government com-  
mission were to be invoked at  
once to deal with the situation.  
This agreement, it will be re-  
membered, provided for the in-  
stitution of a joint committee  
to deal with the question of  
control of Israel's municipalities  
and local councils. It is sur-  
prising that this committee turn  
its immediate attention to the  
case of Jerusalem. A new com-  
mission of Mapai, General Zionists  
and the parties of the Mizrachi  
should be formed to take over  
the control of the city, and the  
various conglomerations of splin-  
ter which now adhere to the  
General Zionists to form a  
majority in the Council should  
no longer be left to pursue  
their divergent sectional ends  
without any real regard to the  
city's interests.

## RAKOSI APPROVES SACKING OF PUBLIC FIGURES Hungary's Jewish Generals Purged

By LAJOS LEDERER

RELIABLE reports received in  
the last few days from Bu-  
dapest indicate that an anti-  
Jewish purge is now developing  
in earnest in Hungary. The purge  
began soon after the Moscow  
accusations were made against  
the Jewish doctors with the  
arrest in Budapest of Dr. J. J. J.  
J., the President of the Hun-  
garian Jewish community.

It is now being directed main-  
ly among Jews in key positions  
in the army and secret police,  
but there are also reports of the  
arrest and dismissal of leading  
Jews in public life and the di-  
plomatic service. Amongst the  
most prominent victims are Dr.  
Decsi, the Minister of Justice;  
Mr. Szirmai, Director of the  
Hungarian radio network; and  
Dr. Benek, a prominent physi-  
cian and head of the Jewish  
Hospital in Budapest. Dr. Bene-  
dek is a close friend of Premier  
Rakosi and is known to have  
attended professionally not only  
the leading members of the Hun-  
garian Politburo but also the  
Soviet ambassadors in Budapest.

### NAVAL NOTES

## U.K.'s Newest Destroyers

By J.A. BARLOWE

SPECTATORS of the British  
Home Fleet, both in the  
Eastern and the Western Medi-  
terranean, will have an oppor-  
tunity of seeing the fastest and  
most up-to-date destroyers on  
the waters today. These mystery  
destroyers of the Daring or "D"  
class—Diamond and Daphne—  
recently put into commission  
will accompany the destroyer  
flotilla on its spring cruise and  
show their paces about Gibraltar,  
Malta and Cyprus—the new  
spearhead of the Royal Navy.

The prototype, H.M.S. Daring,  
built by Swan, Hunter and  
Wigham Richardson, Walls-  
end-Tyne, and commissioned last  
February, cost in the neighbour-  
hood of £1.7m. and since then  
cost of material has steadily  
risen so that these swift ships  
of today will cost as much as  
a dreadnought battleship of 40 to  
50 years ago.

The Daring and her sisters are  
just short of 400 feet—380 feet,  
to be strictly accurate—with  
a beam of 43 feet on a displace-  
ment of 3,500 tons. Welded hull  
throughout, she embodies many  
of the hard won experiences of  
the late war, and her armament  
comes out of the same fiery  
experience.

The chief armament of the  
Daring—which applies to all  
the "D" class—consists of six  
4.5 inch guns in pairs, two tur-  
rets forward and one aft, with  
supplementary batteries of six  
40-mm guns for anti-aircraft  
defence and a dozen 21-inch tor-  
pedo tubes, mounted in five.

The class has an intricate lat-  
tice work for wireless, signalling  
and the like. The long lean out-  
line of these destroyers suggests  
speed and efficiency.

Kenya's Service  
H.M.S. Kenya has just  
paid an unofficial call at  
Haifa, is of the naval force  
maintained in the Persian Gulf  
for patrol purposes. The Kenya,  
like all her class, was laid down  
in 1949 and completed with

since the war and prominent  
Russian military personalities,  
including Marshal Voroshilov  
who was in Hungary, as  
Commander-in-Chief of the Re-  
d Army. Two Jewish physi-  
cians who are at present hold-  
ing important diplomatic posts  
in the West, namely Dr. Weil,  
the Hungarian Minister in Wash-  
ington, and Dr. Stanto, the  
Hungarian Minister in Paris,  
are reported to have been re-  
called.

### Generals Out

Five Jewish generals of the  
Hungarian army and a great  
number of colonels have been  
victims of this purge, both in  
the political department of the  
Ministry of Defence and in  
army commands, although the  
Minister of Defence, General  
Farkas, and his deputy, Major-  
General Morcsy, both Jews,  
are apparently still in power.  
(Yesterday it was reported that  
the Chief of State Police Gen-  
eral Gabor Peter had also been  
arrested).

Whoever is behind this im-  
pressive purge—and it should be  
borne in mind that the Soviet  
ambassadors in Budapest are  
orders when the time comes for  
a final liquidation.

### Rakosi's Approval

It appears that the purge has  
to say the least—the support  
of the top political direc-  
tors of the Hungarian Com-  
munist Party, namely Premier  
Rakosi, and the four other Mos-  
covite leaders, Gero, Vas, Raval  
and Farkas, all of whom are  
Jews. It is even possible that  
they initiated it in the hope of  
saving themselves or maintain-  
ing their position for a time. On  
the other hand, the purge may  
well have been ordered directly  
by Moscow. In that case, it  
seems likely that the Kremlin  
has a new agent in Hungary  
who will carry out its orders  
when the time comes for a  
final liquidation.

According to my information,  
if the last supposition is correct,  
then Moscow's new agent is  
deputy-Premier Istvan Hidas,  
one of the few non-Jewish mem-  
bers of the Hungarian Com-  
munist Party, who has been in  
Hungary for some months taking  
a more active and prominent  
position in the direction of the  
Party. To the surprise of all  
students of the Hungarian polit-  
ical scene, he was invited by  
the Kremlin to attend the Soviet  
Communist Party's 19th Con-  
gress and accompanied Rakosi  
to Moscow last September.

Hidas is not a "Moscovite".  
His Communist education is of  
Hungarian origin, though he  
took a course after the war in  
a party school in Moscow. His  
all spheres of naval activities,  
and in the late war logged well  
over 250,000 nautical miles.

### Refineries Ltd. which is able to pump oil by a direct line into our tanks. The plant is also adjacent to a rail and road junc- tion and is near to the only deep water port in the country.

Neither is it correct that only  
new has Neeher started to work  
on the installation of a dust-col-  
lector. Dust-collectors have in-  
fact been in operation for many  
years, but the new and modern  
collector now being installed was  
ordered about some two years  
ago to replace an old one.

Miss Cohen appears also to be  
informed if she condemns the  
"dry" production process with  
such shrill as out-of-date; in-  
stead, where cement plants have  
known where cement plants have  
"switched allegiance" to shaft  
kilns. But the whole question is  
a highly controversial one and  
not yet conclusively settled. Pro-  
fessionals qualified to have a  
say in the matter have so far re-  
frained from passing any final  
judgment.

It is true that we are now in  
process of replacing our 21 years  
old plant with a new one, but the  
saving unit, which will turn out a  
higher quality product, the old  
plant will continue to operate  
until we have a new one. This is  
a perfectly sound economic mea-  
sure, and we hope—temporary  
depression that is passing over  
the world will not cause us to  
reconsider this decision.

We must also point out that in  
1952 we exported some 10,000 tons  
of cement and not 11,000 tons as  
stated in the article.

May we also briefly refer to the  
second article which contains an  
account of a lecture given by  
January 22; if by "engineers from  
the other country" the lecturer  
were meant, we must stress that  
we have never expressed any op-  
inion on the production method to  
be employed at "Himelshon".

Yours etc.,  
Polish Portland Cement  
Works "Neeher" Ltd.  
Haifa, January 28.

### Correspondent's Reply

Even the late President was  
not ashamed to call his auto-  
biography "My Life". It is a  
development entails mistakes, and  
it is hard to see why it should be  
any different in the case of a  
founder 31 years ago, who has  
been a national hero, a modern  
hero in character and quali-  
ties typical for the composer's serene  
style.

The performers were Uri Top-  
polsky (flute), Elyahu Thorne  
(oboe), Henry Haffel (violin),  
Mark Rak (cello) and Daniel  
Rafael (cello).

### MA'BARA DELEGATES AT KNESSET TUB'SHVAT CELEBRATION

The Speaker of the Knesset, Mr. Yosef Sprinzak (left) received a delegation of 60 representatives from Ma'abarot all over the country at the Knesset on Monday evening.  
Photo by Braun

### Mau Mau Goes Underground

By HUGH LATIMER

WHEN a townsman from  
Nairobi exchanges his  
urban pleasures for the strenu-  
ous life of a police post in  
the heart of the Kenya reserve  
he finds a general opinion among  
both black and white races that  
startles him. It is that the worst  
of the Mau Mau thugs are in  
hiding in Nairobi itself.

When the police raid huts in  
the reserves and find the suspects  
they are seeking absent, nine  
times out of ten, that they are  
in Nairobi. To ask for an address  
in Nairobi would be useless, for  
there were at least 10,000 home-  
less African men in the streets  
of the Kenya capital even before  
the current emergency.

Intelligence officers have been  
testing out this opinion recently,  
and they find it justified. They  
have been taking loyal anti-Mau  
Mau from the Hikuu country-  
side on week-end trips to the  
capital. One of the latter recent-  
ly picked out seven wanted men  
in the course of a day's car ride  
round Nairobi. Of these seven,  
one had been in Nairobi for only  
ten days or so, and was found  
helping to run a tea-shop; ano-

ther was waiting for a bus. "We  
gave him a lift," said the intel-  
ligence officer.

### Mau Mau Reprisal

The day's work done, this  
particular Hikuu resistance  
man was taken to his own house  
in the African location, a  
huddle of huts of which Nairobi  
is not proud. That night a  
Mau Mau thug entered his house  
and shot him up. Luckily he was not killed,  
but was wounded twice. Not only  
is Mau Mau organisation good  
in Nairobi, but its intelligence  
also.

Pitched battles or riots, like  
those in South African towns  
in recent months, are, however,  
not expected here. For one thing  
the defence is too strong. Apart  
from the regular police and  
army, 5,500 out of Kenya's 8,000  
Home Guards are in Nairobi.  
About 3,000 of these are Indians.  
Moreover, pitched battles are  
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### MA'BARA DELEGATES AT KNESSET TUB'SHVAT CELEBRATION



The Speaker of the Knesset, Mr. Yosef Sprinzak (left) received a delegation of 60 representatives from Ma'abarot all over the country at the Knesset on Monday evening.  
Photo by Braun

### Mau Mau Goes Underground

By HUGH LATIMER

WHEN a townsman from  
Nairobi exchanges his  
urban pleasures for the strenu-  
ous life of a police post in  
the heart of the Kenya reserve  
he finds a general opinion among  
both black and white races that  
startles him. It is that the worst  
of the Mau Mau thugs are in  
hiding in Nairobi itself.

When the police raid huts in  
the reserves and find the suspects  
they are seeking absent, nine  
times out of ten, that they are  
in Nairobi. To ask for an address  
in Nairobi would be useless, for  
there were at least 10,000 home-  
less African men in the streets  
of the Kenya capital even before  
the current emergency.

Intelligence officers have been  
testing out this opinion recently,  
and they find it justified. They  
have been taking loyal anti-Mau  
Mau from the Hikuu country-  
side on week-end trips to the  
capital. One of the latter recent-  
ly picked out seven wanted men  
in the course of a day's car ride  
round Nairobi. Of these seven,  
one had been in Nairobi for only  
ten days or so, and was found  
helping to run a tea-shop; ano-

ther was waiting for a bus. "We  
gave him a lift," said the intel-  
ligence officer.

### Mau Mau Reprisal

The day's work done, this  
particular Hikuu resistance  
man was taken to his own house  
in the African location, a  
huddle of huts of which Nairobi  
is not proud. That night a  
Mau Mau thug entered his house  
and shot him up. Luckily he was not killed,  
but was wounded twice. Not only  
is Mau Mau organisation good  
in Nairobi, but its intelligence  
also.

Pitched battles or riots, like  
those in South African towns  
in recent months, are, however,  
not expected here. For one thing  
the defence is too strong. Apart  
from the regular police and  
army, 5,500 out of Kenya's 8,000  
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A SURVEY of costs in the  
cinema industry has brought  
out some interesting facts about  
French studios. They cost less  
than the Americans or Brit-  
ish. A colour film today would  
be considered expensive at  
£150,000, whilst black-and-white  
costs only about a third of that.  
The height of quality produced  
from such expenditures certainly  
backs up Bernard Shaw's re-  
mark that economy is the root  
of all virtue. A film triumphs  
when the ideas of a fine pro-  
ducer flow unimpeded through  
the behaviour of actors. This  
end can be helped by settings,  
but if the mechanical back-  
ground becomes too elaborate,  
decoration is laid on too thick,  
the flow will be clogged. To con-  
fuse size with quality is the  
bane of cinematographic art.  
French films, the best of them,  
seem all to grow out of a pro-  
found wisdom in human mat-  
ters. But knowing the truth is  
not enough; it has also to be  
uttered. Herein the French have  
enormous historical advantage;  
those manners and gestures  
which shine in films are clearly  
brought to perfection long  
ago, and probably in a royal  
court. This is not to imply a  
conscious aping, but rather an  
inborn awareness that out of  
all possible impulses of love, ha-  
tred, fear, and the rest, one or  
two only have been judged ap-  
propriate by a race conscious  
for centuries of rightness in  
behaviour. Economy, then, and  
propriety are the keys to the suc-  
cess of French cinema suc-  
cesses—no wonder their bookings  
abroad are fast increasing.  
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